

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 188

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate the Newport Grammar School boys' basketball team upon winning the 2021 TMSAA Class A State Championship.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we salute those successful middle school athletic teams that, through their magnificent exploits, bring honor to Tennessee and serve as exceptional ambassadors for this State; and

WHEREAS, the 2021 Newport Grammar School boys' basketball team has been crowned the Tennessee Middle School Athletic Association (TMSAA) Class A State Champion and as such is deserving of the highest regard; and

WHEREAS, the Warriors claimed their first state title in school history in a thrilling overtime championship game, vanquishing the South Lawrence Stallions 34-30, having rallied for the victory after trailing at halftime; and

WHEREAS, the Newport Grammar Warriors dominated their competition all season, posting a season record of 16-2, winning the Area 9-A championship and the Section 2-A championship on route to the TMSAA State Championship; and

WHEREAS, state championships are the result of collective team focus, hard work, and a willingness to submit to the greater good of the team rather than accommodate any one player; the Newport Grammar Warriors exhibited each of these rare qualities during their championship season; and

WHEREAS, we find it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud the Newport Grammar School boys' basketball team, not only for winning the State title but also for its players' superior sportsmanship and the joy they have brought to their fellow students and the people of their community; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate the Newport Grammar School boys' basketball team upon winning the 2021 TMSAA Class A State Championship. We salute these exceptional student athletes for their many accomplishments, both on and off the court, and extend to them our best wishes for much continued success in all their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.